



# **Achieving Better Care by Monitoring All Prescriptions (ABC-MAP)**

Act 191 of 2014

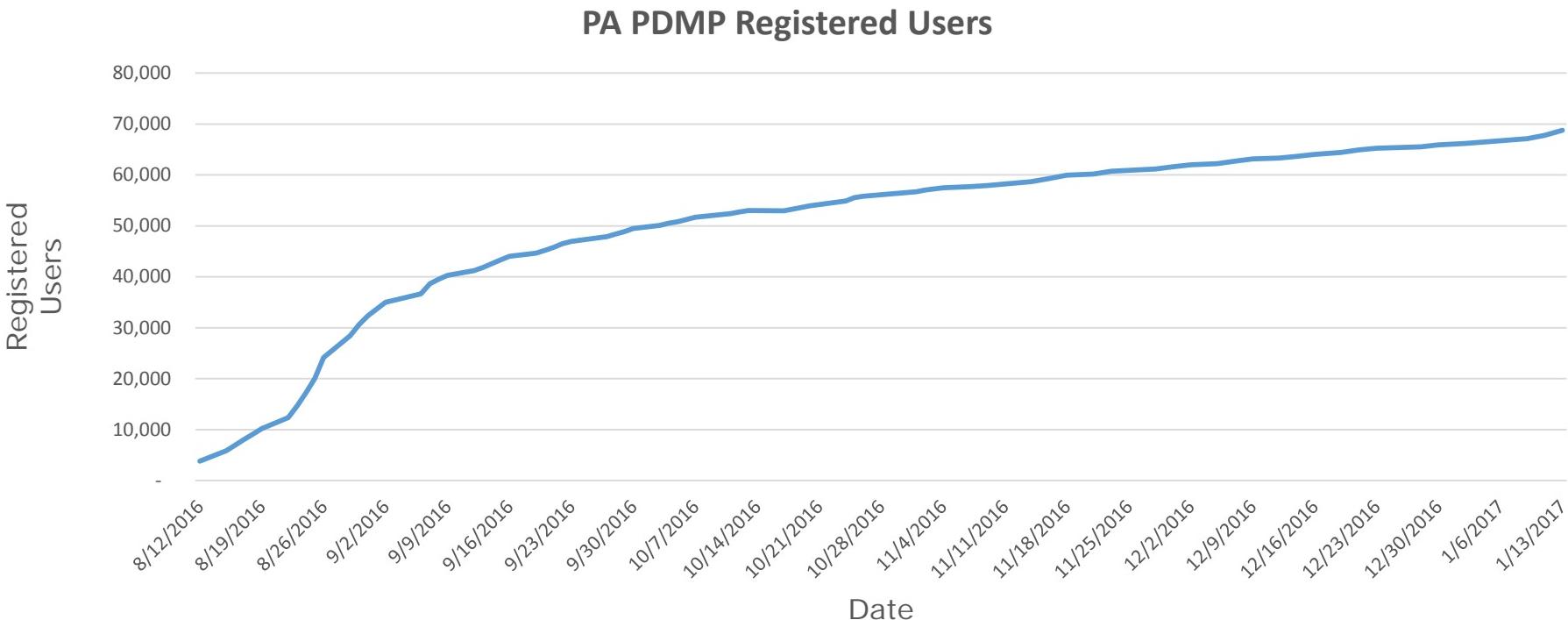
ABC-MAP Board Meeting  
January 17, 2017

# Agenda

- Old Business
  - Review/approval of October 27, 2016, board meeting minutes
- New Business
  - PDMP update
  - New Legislative Requirements
  - Upcoming Activities
- Adjournment

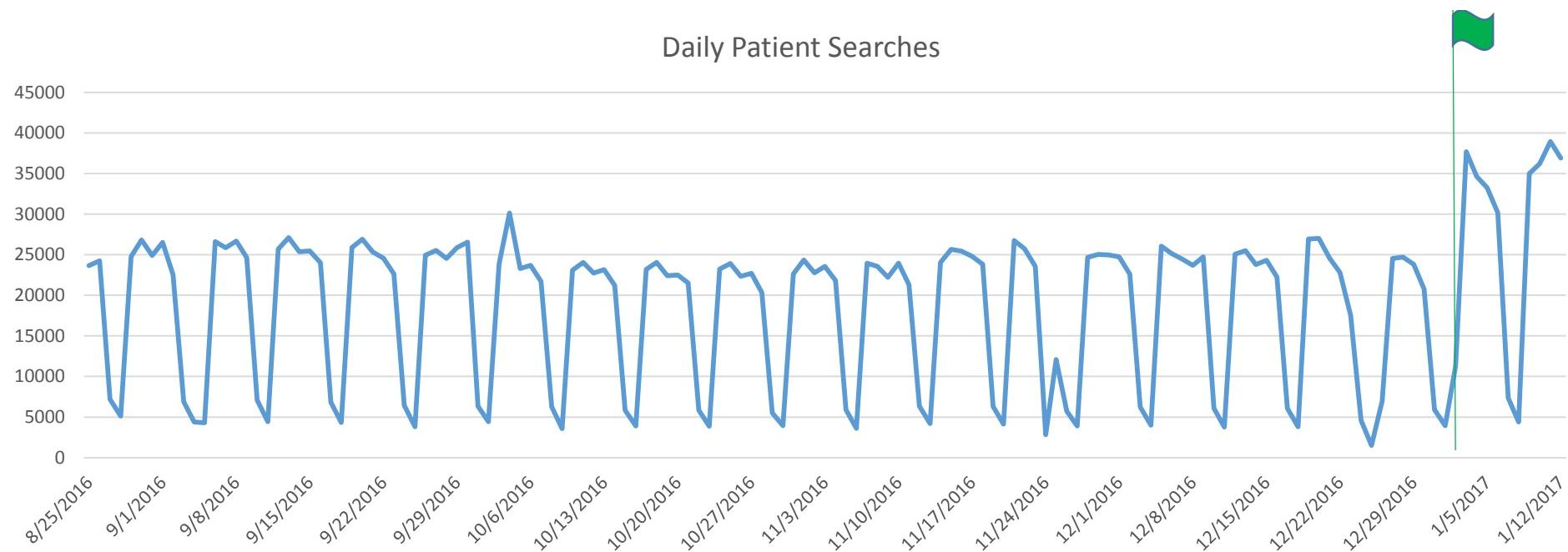
# PA PDMP Registration

- Approximately 69,000 users registered since August 8, 2016.



# PA PDMP Patient Queries

- ⌚ On average, 36,000 patient queries each weekday since January 1, 2017.
- ⌚ On weekend days, there are approximately 4,500 to 7,000 patient queries.



# New Legislative Requirements

## Reporting Requirements –

- As of January 1, 2017, all dispensing prescribers and pharmacies are required to report Schedule II-V controlled substance prescriptions to the PA PDMP system no later than the close of the subsequent business day of the dispensation.

# New Legislative Requirements

## Query Requirements for Prescribers –

- As of January 1, 2017, lawfully authorized prescribers are required to query the PDMP system for an existing patient when the following clinical situations apply:
  - For each patient the first time the patient is prescribed a controlled substance by the prescriber for purposes of establishing a baseline and a thorough medical record; or
  - If a prescriber believes or has reason to believe, using sound clinical judgment, that a patient may be abusing or diverting drugs; or
  - Each time a patient is prescribed an opioid drug product or benzodiazepine by the prescriber.

# New Legislative Requirements

## Query Not Required for Prescribers –

- Checking the PDMP is not required for any medication provided to a patient in the course of treatment while undergoing care in an emergency department. This does not apply to patients undergoing care in urgent care centers or when in observation status in a health care facility. However, as part of good clinical practice, the Department of Health recommends that health care professionals check the system every time before a controlled substance(s) is prescribed or dispensed in any clinical setting.

# New Legislative Requirements

## Query Requirements for Dispensers –

- As of January 1, 2017, querying the PDMP is required before dispensing an opioid drug product or a benzodiazepine prescribed to a patient if any of the following apply:
  - The patient is a new patient of the dispenser.
  - The patient pays cash when they have insurance.
  - The patient requests a refill early.
  - The patient is getting opioid drug products or benzodiazepines from more than one prescriber.
- A new patient does not include an individual going to the same pharmacy, or a different physical location of that pharmacy, if the patient's record is available to the dispenser. Dispensers must query the PDMP if they have reason to believe the patient is getting opioid drug products or benzodiazepines from more than one prescriber.

# New Legislative Requirements

## Registration Requirements –

- As of January 1, 2017, all prescribers and dispensers are required to register with the Pennsylvania Prescription Drug Monitoring Program.

# PDMP Education and Outreach

- New legislation mass communication and outreach
  - To prescribers and dispensers, professional societies, and executive leadership of health care entities in Pennsylvania.
  - Activities include:
    - E-mail blasts
    - Post cards
    - Online video resources
    - Social media outreach
    - Op-eds
    - Communication through medical professional societies, state licensing boards, and county and municipal health departments

# PDMP Education Workgroup

## ■ Purpose:

Provide recommendations to the PA PDMP office on the creation and development of innovative and evidence-based education materials for prescribers and dispensers.

## ■ Member composition:

- Physician General's Office
- DDAP
- ABC-MAP Advisory Committee
- Single County Authorities
- Health care administrators, clinicians, and pharmacists
- Contractors and evaluators of the program

# PDMP Program Enhancements

## ■ Priority 1:

The PDMP Office is working towards building an additional security enhancement for the PDMP system using a Social Security Number (SSN) validation step for both new and current users.

## ■ Priority 2:

The PDMP Office is currently planning for interstate data sharing to allow users to query prescription histories outside of PA. Neighboring states are the priority.

# PDMP System Integration

- PDMP office is working with BIIT and Appriss (the PDMP system vendor) to finalize a funding and technical plan for integrating the PDMP within EMRs and pharmacy systems.
- Develop an outreach survey to understand health care entity readiness and resource availability.
- Finalize the implementation roadmap.

# QUESTIONS?